

Attorney Docket No.: J3674(C)
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REMARKS

The subject amendment is provided in a good faith effort to advance the prosecution of the subject application and to consolidate the issues for appeal. Entry thereof is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the requirement from claim 12 that the silicone conditioning oil is present in an amount of from 0.5 to 3% by weight. See also, page 7, lines 23 to 26. The requirement as to silicone conditioning oil level having been incorporated into claim 1, claim 12 has been amended to delete same as being redundant. Additionally, claim 1 has been amended to specify that surface active block copolymer is present in an amount of from 0.04 to 0.4% by weight, and to identify the values of m and n in formula I as 30 to 40 and 5 to 13, respectively. See page 6, lines 19 to 22, page 6, lines 14 to 17, and Example 1.

On Friday April 16, 2010, the undersigned and Examiner Brian Gullledge discussed possible amendments to the description of the surface active block copolymer and oil components. Applicants respectfully submit that the description of "m" and "n" values of amended claim 1, together with the existing requirement that polyethylene oxide comprises from 60 to 85% by weight of the formula I block copolymer, and the amended levels of surface active block copolymer and silicone conditioning oil, sets forth a claim that is commensurate in scope with the showing of enhanced tip deposition demonstrated by Example 1.

Applicants incorporate herein the arguments set forth in their prior responses and respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the subject claims as hereby amended.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the subject claims is respectfully requested.

If a telephone conversation would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the present application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided.

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